

POETRY.



[SELECTED.]

WE WERE BOYS AND GIRLS TOGETHER.
By G. R. Emerson.

We were boys and girls together,
In that happy, happy time,
When the spirit's life shone brightest
And the heart was in its prime;
Ere the morning light was clouded,
That beamed upon our youth,
Ere the child of worldly knowledge
Had blighted childhood's truth.

We were boys and girls together,
When the step was firm and light,
When the voice was clear and ringing,
And the laughing eyes were bright;
Then our love sought no concealment,
And our bosom knew no art,
Then the sunshine of our childhood
Cast no shadow on the heart.

We are boys and girls no longer,
But the earnest cares of life
Have left the traces on us,
Of the sorrow and the strife;
The flowers we plucked have withered,
The dimpled smiles have fled,
And the budding hopes we cherished
Have vanished with the dead.

But as the proud stream shadows
The rays that lightly glanced
Upon the tiny streamlet,
That in its gleaming danced,
So the soul of earnest manhood
Retains the features mild,
That shed a loving beauty
On the spirit of the child.

Other young ones are around us,
Other voices ring sweet,
We hear their joyous laughter,
And the echo of their feet;
Oh, childhood never dieth,
And beauty never will wane,
In the fair ones that we gaze on,
We are boys and girls again.

CLIPPINGS.

Short Patent Sermon.

BY DOW, JR.

I shall give you a sermon to-day from the following text:

The lady who, before a tub,
Is not ashamed to wring or rub,
Or on the floor ashamed to scrub;
And cares not who calls in to see
Her lab'ring so industriously,
Will make a wife for you or me.

My hearers—It was ordained by heaven—not by the devil—that every man should have a wife and every woman be blessed with a husband. In the beginning God made two of the *gens homo*—of opposite sex. The one electrified positively and the other negatively, so that when approximated, their mystical effect could be produced from one to the other. The how, why, and the wherefore, no mortal has yet been able to understand, neither is it necessary that he should. The sexes naturally approach and adhere to each other through some mysterious influence that admits of no solution. Let it suffice that it is so. When the Creator made Adam, he saw that it was not good for him to be alone, so he mesmerized the man, dug a rib from his side without the least particle of pain, and from it he made Eve, to be a helpmate for him, as well as a fancy plaything. Now without knowing what Eve was, they couldn't help loving the moment they set eyes upon one another. He cast sheep's eyes at her at a distance, and she threw killing glances in return, that fired his soul and set his heart vibrating like a splinter upon a chestnut rail in a saw'wester. They finally came together just as naturally as a couple of apples in a basin of water. But situated as they were at first, and having little or no manual labor to perform, Eve could be of little utility to Adam, and Adam couldn't do a great deal for Eve. So they loved and were ready to assist each other, in case of any emergent casualty, and so when they found that aprons were necessary, they set to and with the needle worked together for mutual good. Eve only understood plain sewing—she knew nothing about your embroidery lace working and piano playing. The couple were perfectly happy in their rude and rough state, until the old serpent got among 'em, and even then they stuck to each other through thick and through thin—through all the blinding vicissitudes of life, from Paradise to Perdition.

My brethren, since you know that marriage is a divine institution, and that every one of you should have a wife, what kind of a rib would you select? A pretty little useless doll, or a woman big and spunky enough to wrestle with a bear and come off best? I imagine you would care nothing for either extreme, but you would look for personal charms. O, you foolish idolaters

at the shrine of beauty? Know you not that hundreds of husbands have been made miserable by handsome wives, and thousands are happy in the possession of homely ones?—homely without, beautiful within. Alas! what is beauty? It is a flower that wilts and withers almost as soon as it is plucked, a transient rainbow, a fleeting meteor, a deceitful will o'wisp, sublimated moonshine. The kind of a wife you want is of good morals, and knows how to mend trousers, who can be reconciled to peel potatoes, with practisable or fashionable piety, who can waltz with a churn-dish and sing with a tea-kettle, who understands broomology, and the true science of mopping—who knits stockings without knitting her brows, and knits up her husband's unravelled sleeves of care, who prefers sowing tears with her needle, to sewing tares of scandal with her tongue. Such is decidedly a "better half." Take her if you can get her, whosoever you can find her if it be up to her elbows in the suds of a wash-tub, or picking geese in a cow stable.

My hearers—my text speaks of a lady before a wash tub. You may think it absurd, but let me assure you that a female can be a lady before a wash-tub, or in the kitchen, as much as in the drawing room or in the parlor. What constitutes a lady? It is not a costly dress, paint for the cheeks, false hair, and still falser airs; but it is her general deportment, her intellectual endowment and that evidence of virtue which commands the respect and admiration of the world. She would be recognized as a lady at once—it matters not where or in what situation she may be found, whether scorching bed bugs with a red-hot poker, or hollowing hallelujah at a Methodist camp meeting. All that I have further to say, fellow bachelors, is that when you marry, see that you get a lady inside and out—one who knows how to keep the pot boiling, and looks well to the household; so mote it be.

Share your Bliss.

Somebody says, "Happiness was born a twin," and we firmly believe it. Yes; people are far the happiest when they share the flowers and fruits of life. The milk of human kindness affords the purest nourishment when handed round in the loving cup of a warm heart to those about us, ever giving the weak and trembling ones the fullest draughts. Be it remembered, though, that we are no admirers of the happiness which is shared by men only in the palace-like club, or low pot-house, where extreme sympathies and unlimited potatoes render spirits so convivially blest, that they form philosophical and heroic resolutions not to "go home till morning;" and where, while boasting of good fellowship and undying friendship with Sir Harry Hic-away or Tom Hatcher, they entirely forget the simple, domestic fact of wife, mother, or sister being rather lonely at home, while sitting up for them. We set our faces against those "social bonds" held together by smoke and alcohol; for we have greater faith in the moralizing tendency of a "mixed party;" and wherever rational pleasure is the object pursued, and civilized decorum does not interdict, we think woman ought to be allowed a fair participation in the chase.

We were led to note down these hasty thoughts by seeing a cheap and early railway train pour forth its swarm, of holiday-makers at Brighton. It was a warm, cloudless day, when the sun seemed prouder and grander than usual, as though he had grown vain from seeing himself so distinctly in Neptune's mirror. We stood by one street leading to the beach, and amused ourselves with watching and speculating on the crowds that those artisan men who were in company with the fairer portion of creation were the most healthy and respectable in their general appearance and demeanor, while those who were alone, or with their lordly fellows, bore tangible impress of personal self-neglect and too frequently afforded unequivocal indications of dissipated habits; the dust-grimed habiliments, good in quality but ruined by slovenly carelessness; the unshorn face and unbrushed hair; the unnecessarily dirty hands; the vulgarly fine neckcloth, tied without neatness or taste; and frequently the bad cigar at the very early hour, all betoken a coarser and rougher specimen of humanity. Doubtless these men had feminine belongings, who would have been glad enough to enjoy a breath of sea breezes and whose presence might have kept them in a much more fitting and respectable condition to return home; for we observed those very men were the same who had evidently imbibed more spirituous than saline particles during the day, as they rudely elbowed their way into the crowded carriages in the evening, while those who had a fair companion seemed as cheerful and manly as in the morning; and we came to the conclusion, as we stood with our eyes wide open, that the proper twin of man's happiness must ever be of the Eve gender.

There is something elevating in sharing a pleasure, from the consumption of our first pennyworth of gingerbread to the carving of our last Christmas pudding; and we have a sort of poetical superstition that those who seek the way to heaven will never be able to find the way alone; and, that over the very gate of entrance will be found the words, "Happiness was born a twin."

ELIZA COOK

THE BEAUTY OF THE HEAVENS.

How delightful it is to contemplate the heavens. They are stretched out as a curtain to dwell in! Not only as far as the human eye can see, but beyond the remotest boundary which the highest telescopic power can reach, does the ethereal firmament extend. We can find no limit, no boundary. Millions of miles may be traversed from any given point of space, and still the heavens appear illimitable. Infinity is stamped upon them. And with what gorgeous splendor and magnificence is that curtain adorned! In every direction it is studded with worlds, suns, and systems, all harmoniously moving in perfect and undeviating obedience to the Almighty will. The soul in such a contemplation is absorbed, Earth ceases to hold us with its silver chain. The mind set free from groveling pursuits, mounts up, as on the wings of an eagle, and soars away through immensity of space, surveying many crowns of glory and diadems of beauty, that bespangle the firmament whose antiquity is of ancient days, and which so powerfully attest "that the hand that made them is divine!"

The immense distance of the fixed stars claims our attention, and awakens the most enrapturing feelings in the mind. Reason is compelled to give the rein to imagination, which tells us there are stars so distant that their light has been shining since the creation and not yet reached us.

The heavens truly declare the glory of God, and in beholding such a display of glory and beauty, we are deeply impressed with its manifestation of the Creator who sustains, upholds, and preserves such myriads of ponderous revolving bodies each in its orbit, moving in unerring obedience to His will.

An Athenian who wanted eloquence, but who was an able and brave man, when one of his countrymen had in a brilliant speech, promised great things, rose and said, "Men of Athens, all that he has said I will do!"

Somebody says, "a baby laughing in its dreams, is conversing with the angels." Perhaps so—and we have seen them crying in their waking hours, as though they were having a spat with the devil.

Busy not thyself in searching into other men's lives; the errors of thine own are more than thou can answer for. It more concerns thee to mend one fault in thyself, than to find out a thousand in others.

If you are angry with him that reproves your sin, you secretly confess your anger to be unjust, he that is angry with the just reprover, kindles the fire of the just avenger.

Some thoughts always find us young and keep us so. Such a thought is the love of the universal and eternal beauty. Beauty is the flowering of virtue.

A gentleman having lately been called on to a course of lectures, declined; said he—my wife gives me a lecture every night for nothing.

We discover great beauty in those who are not beautiful, if they possess genuine truthfulness, simplicity, and sincerity.

"Is your watch a lever?" "Lever-yes, have to leave her once a week at the watch maker's for repairs."

A newspaper is a law-book for the indolent, a sermon for the thoughtless, a library for the poor. It may stimulate the most indifferent, it may instruct the most profound.

King says that the only objection he has got to twenty shilling boarding houses, is that they buy mackerel by the barrel.

Women always want something to lean upon. As a stick is to green peas so is the masculine gender, to the female.

A man who marries a frivolous, showy woman, fancies he has hung a trinket round his neck, but he soon finds it is a mill stone.

Mrs. Swisshelm declares that "the coil of an anaconda would make a better girdle for a young woman's waist than the arm of a drunken husband."

A PROCLAMATION,
By his Excellency, DAVID S. REID, Governor of the State of North Carolina.

WHEREAS, three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House of the General Assembly did at the last session pass the following Act:

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF NORTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the freehold qualification now required for the electors for members of the Senate conflict with the fundamental principles of liberty, therefore

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House concurring, that the second clause of third section of the first Article of the amended Constitution ratified by the people of North Carolina on the second Monday of November, A. D. 1835, be amended by striking out the words "and possessed of a freehold within the same district of fifty acres of land for six months next before and at the day of election," so that the said clause of said section shall read as follows, "All free white men of the age of twenty-one years (except as is hereinafter declared) who have been inhabitants of any one district within the State twelve months immediately preceding the day of any election and shall have paid public taxes, shall be entitled to vote for a member of the Senate."

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Governor of the State be, and he is hereby directed, to issue his Proclamation to the people of North Carolina, at least six months before the next election for members of the General Assembly, setting forth the purport of this Act and the amendment to the Constitution herein proposed, which Proclamation shall be accompanied by a true and perfect copy of the Act, authenticated by the certificate of the Secretary of State, and both the Proclamation and the copy of this Act, the Governor of the State shall cause to be published in all the newspapers of this State, and posted in the Court Houses of the respective Counties in this State, at least six months before the election of members to the next General Assembly.

Read three times and agreed to by three-fifths of the whole number of members of each House respectively, and ratified in General Assembly, this 21th day of January, 1851.

J. C. DOBBIN, S. H. C.
W. N. EDWARDS, S. S.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
Office of Secretary of State.
I, WILLIAM HILL, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and perfect copy of the Act of the General Assembly of this State, drawn off from the original on file in this office. Given under my hand, this 31st day of December, 1851.

WM. HILL, Sec'y of State.

AND WHEREAS, the said Act provides for amending the Constitution of the State of North Carolina so as to confer on every qualified voter for the House of Commons the right to vote also for the Senate;

Now, therefore, to the end that it may be made known that if the aforesaid amendment to the Constitution shall be agreed to by two-thirds of the whole representation in each House of the next General Assembly, it will then be submitted to the people for ratification, I have issued this my Proclamation in conformity with the provisions of the above recited Act.

In testimony whereof, DAVID S. REID, Governor of the State of North Carolina, hath hereunto set his hand and caused the Great Seal of said State to be affixed. Done at the City of Raleigh, on the thirty-first day of December, in the [] year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-one, and in the 76th year of our Independence.

By the Governor, DAVID S. REID.
THOMAS SETTLE, Jr. Private Sec'y.

Persons into whose hands this Proclamation may fall, will please see that a copy of it is posted up in the Court Houses of their respective Counties.

FOR HIRE.

THE subscriber continues to keep horses and vehicles for hire on the following

TERMS PER DAY:

For carriage, two horses, & driver,	\$5 00
" carriage and harness,	2 00
" barouche, two horses, & driver,	4 00
" barouche and harness,	1 50
" carryall, two horses, and driver,	3 50
" carryall and harness,	1 00
" buggy and horse,	2 00
" horse and harness,	0 75
" horse, saddle and bridle,	1 25
" horse,	1 00
" horse and cart,	1 25
" Cart and gear,	0 25
" Horse and plough,	1 00
" plough and gear,	0 25
Wagon and dray, by contract,	

The above charges are for an ordinary day's travel—longer or shorter distances, by contract.
GEO. HOWARD.

NO. CAROLINA MANUFACTURE.

BATTLE & SON.

ARE still manufacturing at the Rocky Mount Mills, about
300,000 lbs Cotton Yarn,
per annum, (equal to the best Georgia yarns,) which they will deliver to Merchants free of extra charge at New York prices. Orders addressed to Battle & Son, Rocky Mount, N. C., will receive prompt attention.
Feb. 1852.

S. R. Ford,
WILMINGTON, N. C.

DEALER in Marble Monuments; Head and Foot Stones; Paint Stones; Imposing do; and in short, any article called for of either Italian, Egyptian, or American Marble; and work warranted to please or no sale; and if damaged before delivery it is at his expense.
Orders left with Geo. Howard, Tarboro', will be attended to forthwith.

Cotton Wanted,
FOR which the highest market price will be paid. Apply to
W. H. Willard.
Washington, N. C. Jan. 2, '52.

Molasses.
25 hhds French Island, very superior,
15 " Cuba,
25 " Sugar house,
12 hhds N. Orleans, for sale very low by
W. H. Willard.
Jan. 2, '52.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber being well prepared to do

A FORWARDING
And Commission Business

IN THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON, Respectfully solicits the patronage of the public in Tarboro', its vicinity, and Edgemont co. generally. He has ample and safe room for the storage of Naval Stores, Grain, and other produce; his charges are moderate and quick dispatch invariably given to all business entrusted to his direction.

REFERENCES.

Maenair & Brother, Tarboro' N. C., William Bernard, Greenville. Eli Hoyt, Washington, N. C., Geo. H. Brown & Brother, Washington, B. J. Parmelee, Washington, N. C. Hon. Judge Manly, Newbern, N. C., J. A. Stanly, Wilmington, N. C., Wm. Bryce & Co., New York, Bateman & Rudderow, do. Mallett & Paulmin, do.

L. J. LABARBE.

Washington, N. C., April 2.

Don't you want to
RIDE?

THE subscriber keeps constantly on hand, a large variety of vehicles comprising.

Buggies, Barouches, &c.

of every style and finish.

He also manufactures to order any description of vehicles, from an ox cart to a fine carriage, in a style not surpassed in this country, and at prices as low as can be afforded anywhere.

He also carries on a large harness manufactory—sets of harness from \$12½ to \$50.

Vehicles of every description repaired at short notice and on reasonable terms.

The subscriber will attend the Courts of Edgemont, and be prepared to make contracts as above, on favorable terms.

JAMES NELSON.

Greenville, Pitt Co. July 8.

Thomas L. Liddon,
BRICKLAYER & PLASTERER.

INFORMS the citizens of Martin & the adjacent counties, that he has

Removed to Hamilton,

And is fully prepared to execute all jobs in his line of business, that may be entrusted to him. He has competent workmen in his employ, and can give satisfactory assurances, that all work entrusted to him will be executed expeditiously and in a workmanlike manner.

References.

Jos. Waldo, Hamilton, Wm. Norfleet, Tarboro', Baker Station, Edgemont Co., Gould Hoyt, Greenville. Hamilton, April 3.

NEW BOOKS.

Swain's Justice, Wiley's North Carolina Reader, Southern Harmony & Musical Companion, Baxter's Saints' Rest, Cyclopaedia of 6000 Practical Receipts, Dictionary of Poetical quotations, Arabian Night's Entertainments—illustrated, Dark Scenes in History, by James, Vicar of Wakefield, Bacchus—Prize Essay on Intemperance, by Grindrod, Memoirs of Wm. Wirt, by Kennedy, Joseph H. Bowditch, Tarboro', Feb. 6.

\$5 Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on the first of July, negro boy JIM. The said negro is about years old, of a light complexion, and about five feet five inches high. He is supposed to be lurking in the vicinity of Tarboro', will give the above reward to any person or persons who will bring him to me, or lodge him in any jail so I get him. All persons are hereby forbidden not to harbor or employ said negro under the penalty of the law. Cadet Abrams, Hamilton, July 30.

NEW
BOARDING HOUSE.

Mrs. E. A. FORD,

WOULD respectfully inform the public, that she has taken the House lately occupied by Mrs. Swann, a Boarding-House, and having had it thoroughly repaired, and fitted with new and handsome furniture throughout, she will be enabled to accommodate a number of transient or permanent Boarders in the best manner. The House is as pleasantly situated as any

In Wilmington.

and a number of her best rooms will be reserved for the accommodation of transient visitors. She can confidently bespeak the patronage of those desirous of obtaining a Boarding House of the first class, as she flatters herself that her arrangements cannot be surpassed for comfort and convenience, and no exertion will be spared calculated to add to the happiness and contentment of her guests.

The House is now open for the reception of permanent or day boarders. For terms, apply to Mrs. Ford, Nov. 7.

John H. Smith's
Renovating Ointment and

HORSE RENOVATING POWDERS.

THE author of our existence has caused to grow up spontaneously throughout the world, such vegetable properties as will at once cure, when properly applied, all curable diseases. The proprietor of these truly valuable medicines might fill a volume with Certificates and testimonials in favor of his articles; but, considering such puffs wholly useless, since they are so readily manufactured, and made use of to such an extent to palm off some useless trash upon the public, I shall therefore, state at once, the various diseases that can be speedily cured by these Invaluable Horse Renovating Powders, viz:—Glanders, hidebound, and horse Distemper. It also carries off all gross humors, and purifies the blood. It is also safe and certain cure for the heaves; it will also cleanse, at once, the stomach and maw from bots, worms, &c. and again restore the stomach and bowels to healthy action.

Smith's Renovating Ointment Is an invaluable remedy for horses in the cure of the following diseases: Fresh wounds, Galls, of all kinds, Sprains, Bruises, Ringbones, Poll Evil, windgalls, Spavins, Sweeney, Fistula, Strains, Lameness, Fomdered Feet, Cracks, and Scratches.

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